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SUBJ: MAJOR PROJECT FOLLOW UP: RAILWAY LOCOMOTIVES

REF: A) 76 BANGKOK 31266; B) 77 BANGKOK 12219; C) BANGKOK 8388

1. EMBASSY LEARANED FROM STATE RAILWAY OF THAILAND (SRT) ONLY TWO FOREIGN SUPPLIERS, ALTROMS (FRENCH) AND KRUPP (GERMAN) HAVE SUBMITTED SALES PROPOSALS ON ROLLING STOCK IT WISHES TO PURCHASE (REF C). THESE PROPOSAL, WHICH INCLUDED SOURCES AND CONDITONS OF LOANS, ARE TO BE CONSIDERED BY MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (MOC).

2. MOC PLANS TO SUBMIT THESE PROPOSALS FOR CONSIDERATION TO THE CABINET WITH A REQUEST THAT A COMMITTEE BE FORMED TO NEGOTIATE WITH ALTROMS AND KRUPP, IF NO OTHER PROPOSALS ARE RECEIVED. MOC IS INTERESTED IN RECEIVING PROPOSALS FROM OTHER SUPPLIERS AND WILL ACCEPT NOTICES, TO BE RECEIVED BY THE END OF APRIL, PROMISING EARLY SUBMISSION OF PROPOSALS.

IT IS UNLIKELY THAT TENDERS WILL BE INVITED WHEN PROJECT APPROVED BY CABINET UNLESS ADITIONAL PROPOSALS ARE RECEIVED.

3. TO DATE, ACCORDING TO SRT, NO AMERICAN FIRM HAS EXPRESSED AN INTEREST IN THIS PROJECT. USDOC IS REQUESTED TO ENCOURAGE U.S. SUPPLIERS TO NOTIFY MOC PROMPTLY OF INTENT TO SUMBIT
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